PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q64544

Dominique HAMOIR

Appln. No.: 09/856,362

Group Art Unit: 2633

Confirmation No.: 6876

Examiner: Leslie PASCAL

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AMPLIFICATION FOR VERY BROAD BAND OPTICAL FIBER TRANSMISSION For:

SYSTEMS

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of one month, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of September 22, 2004 to January 22, 2005. Since January 22, 2005 falls on a Saturday, the due date for responding is automatically extended to January 24, 2005

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